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DISCLOSURE ADVISORY

For the person named above, whom the People may call as a witness, please be advised as follows.

The New York City Police Department substantiated allegations that Danielle Orapollo committed the violation of Fail to Notify IAB; the violation of Falsify Department Records; and three instances of Other Department Rules/Procedures Violation.

These allegations arose out of a situation involving a physical confrontation between two other officers, in which one of the officers was injured. A lieutenant and a PBA delegate were called to the scene and attempted to persuade the injured officer not to report the altercation, as it would mean that both the injured officer and the officer who injured him would be disciplined. The injured officer was transported to the hospital, where he ultimately underwent knee surgery. At the hospital, the injured officer told a sergeant that he was injured when the other officer pushed him, but that other officers and the lieutenant wanted him to lie about it. The sergeant asked him what he wanted to do, and he said to go along with the lie. The sergeant and Officer Orapollo completed police paperwork that stated that the officer had been injured when he slipped and fell to the ground as he walked toward his patrol car in Riverside Park. Subsequently, the injured officer informed another lieutenant about the physical altercation with the other officer.

When interviewed, Officer Orapollo reported that she was not in a position to see what had occurred between the two officers, and just saw the injured officer fall to the ground. Officer Orapollo eventually took the injured officer to the hospital. She left the hospital and returned to the precinct, where a sergeant asked her to fill out an aided card. When confronted with the inaccurate information written in the aided card, Officer Orapollo reported that she did not write the inaccurate portion and that the sergeant took possession of the aided card after she had filled it out. She could not say if the additional sentence was in the sergeant's handwriting.

The substantiated allegations led to NYPD Departmental charges and specifications that Officer Orapollo, while assigned to the 24th Precinct and while on duty, on or about August 1, 2015, in New York County, (1) wrongfully failed to render reasonable aid to a sick or injured person, to wit: a member of the service who had injured his leg or knee; (2) having become aware of an allegation of misconduct by a member of the service, wrongfully failed to report said allegation to the Internal Affairs Bureau, as required; (3) wrongfully engaged in conduct prejudicial to the good order, efficiency, or discipline of the Department, in that she failed to intervene or diffuse an altercation or incident between the police officers or failed to inquire or obtain information about said incident; and (4) caused inaccurate entries to be made in Department records, in that she did not write a complete or accurate version of facts in Department records relating to an injury to another police officer. After a Department trial, Officer Orapollo was found not guilty of these charges.

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No criminal charges were pursued by the New York County District Attorney against any officer in relation to this incident.

Various publicly available websites and databases contain disciplinary information for certain law enforcement officers. Two of these are online databases maintained by the New York City Police Department (<https://nypdonline.org/link/1026>) and the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/ccrb/policy/MOS-records.page>). Information in such databases about this officer is not necessarily included in this advisory.

Any information herein regarding civil lawsuits against an officer is not necessarily a complete list of civil lawsuits in which that officer is a defendant.

Allegations of misconduct that have not been substantiated and are not pending (including, but not limited to, findings of unsubstantiated, unfounded, and exonerated), and allegations of technical infractions, are not subject to disclosure and are not included in this advisory.

The decision to include information in this advisory does not represent a conclusion by the People that it is required to be disclosed.

The People reserve the right to oppose or move to limit the use of any information included herein or disclosed in the future.

If you have any questions, please contact the Assistant District Attorney assigned to the case on which you are receiving this advisory.

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